

THE
METHOD
Of CURING the
SMALL-POX:

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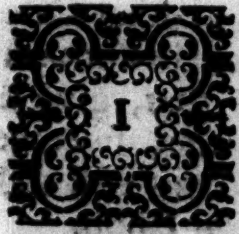
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I.  F a Child, or any Person grow sick, feverish, or has a Pain in the Back, or *Slos* of the Breast, Loss of Appetite, Drowsiness, short Cough, Sneezing, watery Eyes, or some of these; but always accompanied with some Heat, and frequent Pulse, or Drought. In this case Blood is to be taken at the Arm, or with Loch-Leeches; and if the Fever ceases not, tho' the Pox appear, let Blood a second or third time. Mean time,
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give the Child a Spoonful of Syrup of White Poppies at Night, and in the Night time, also till Sleep or Ease comes.

2. After the Pox appears, and Fever is gone, then steep a Handful of Sheeps Purles in a large † Mutchkin of Carduus-water, or Hyfop-water, or Fountain-water, for 5 or 6 Hours; then pour it off without straining, and sweeten it with Syrup of red Poppies. Give of this a Spoonful or two, every 4th or 5th Hour, to make the Pox fill, and preserve the Throat. Always at Night-time, and in the Night, give a Spoonful or two of the Syrup of white Poppies for a Cordial, that keeps down the Fever, and keeps up the Pox.

3. If the Pox run together in the Face (which is the only thing that brings Hazard) use the Infusion of the Purles, and the Syrup of white Poppies oftner than in other Cases; also about the eighth Day from the appearing of the Pox, or a little before that, give the Child to drink of Barley-water, sweetned with Syrup of white Poppies; this will make the Child spit, which saves the Child.

4. The Child's Drink may be Milk and Water at other times, or Emulsion, but use the first rather.

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† A Pint Measure.

5. Apply nothing to the Face. Use no Wine, or Winish. Poffers.

6. If any Loosness comes before the 4th Day of the Eruption, stop it with Syrup of Poppies, and five or seven Drops of liquid Laudanum given now and then till it be stopt.

Let the Child's Diet be all along a thin Bread-Berry in the Morning, a weak Broth, and soft Bread for Dinner, and Milk and Bread at Night, or Sugar-Bisket and Milk, and about the fifth Day from the Eruption, give the Child Water-gruel sometimes.

Note, If at any time the *Small-Pox* disappear, with a Raving before the 5th, 6th, or 8th Day from the Eruption, then let Blood again, and apply a large Blistering Plaister between the Shoulders, and give an Emulsion.

2. If the *Small-Pox* fall down, without raving, then apply a Blistering Plaister large between the Shoulders, and give an Emulsion, and boyl in a Gill of Water, and as much White or Red Wine, half a Dram or a Dram of Zedoary-Root sliced, 2 Figgs, and 2 Scruples of Theriac or Diascordium; sweeten it with Syrup of Kermes and white Poppies, each half an Ounce.

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3. In the End of the Disease, that is, about the 10th, 11th, 14th, &c. Day, after the Eruption; if the Child's Defluxion is gross, either apply a new Veficatory, or give often the Spirit of Hart-horn, in Syrup of Violets, or a Vomitor.

Lastly, When the Pox is blackened sufficiently, or about the 14th Day from the Eruption, let the Child drink Whey, eat Pottage, &c. Broth with Prunes, unless the Child's Belly is open enough of it self.

But if the Child is so young or unlucky, as not to cough heartily, and force up the Defluxions; or if the Frost thickens it, apply to the *Stor* of his Breast a Pulstess of Theriac, Diascordium, Alkermes, Oyl of Rosemary, and Cinnamon with warm Claret, in a double Linnen Cloath often.

2. And to the Throat apply, in a double Linnen Cloath, a Pulstess of Cow's Dung boil'd with Milk, and soft white Bread: Put a little Brandy to as much as you apply at a time.

3. For the Defluxion also give inwardly some of this, which has a Dram of *Sperma Ceti*, well mix'd in a Glafs-Mortar (not a Brass one) with fine Sugar; to which add
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at leisure Syrup of Violets, or Balsamick,
or Poppy Syrup, with some Spirit of Hart-
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on the Face, then, after the Person is reco-
vered, give a Purgative, to bring away the
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or Poppy Symp with some Spirit of Har-
bors.

If the Fox was contented or run together
on the Fox, then, after the Fox is reco-
vered, give a Purgative, to bring away the
Remainder of the Fox within the Gut.

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